

CLAIMS

We claim:

1. An camera dock comprising:
a mounting portion for receiving a digital camera comprising an LCD for viewing
5 images;
a support portion pivotally coupled to said docking portion wherein said support
portion is in contact with a surface;
wherein said mounting portion further comprises a port for receiving a cable for
power and data connections wherein said cable is connected to a processor of another
10 device.
2. The camera dock of Claim 1, where said cable is a USB cable.
3. The camera dock of Claim 1, wherein said mounting portion further comprises at
15 least one function button for activating/deactivating a first function.
4. The camera dock of Claim 1, wherein said support portion further comprises an
indent on a bottom portion of the support portion so as to allow said cable to pass under
the support portion with sufficient room so as to not lift the support portion off of the
20 surface.
5. The camera dock of Claim 1, wherein said support portion further comprises an
infra-red sensor for remote operation of said dock.
- 25 6. The camera dock of Claim 1, wherein said mounting portion further comprises at
least one illuminated button for activating/deactivating a first function.
7. The camera dock of Claim 6, wherein said first function is selected from the group
consisting of: television, printer and PC.
- 30 8. The camera dock of Claim 1, wherein said mounting portion further comprises a
first illuminated button, a second illuminated button and a third illuminated button
wherein each button activates/deactivates a particular function.

9. The camera dock of Claim 8, wherein said first illuminated button activates/deactivates a television function.

5 10. The camera dock of Claim 8, wherein said second button activates/deactivates a printer function.

11. The camera dock of Claim 8, wherein said third button activates/deactivates a PC function.

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12. The camera dock of Claim 1, wherein said mounting portion further comprises a light-emitting diode indicating a status of the camera dock.

13. The camera dock of Claim 1, wherein said camera is mounted to said dock such
15 that said LCD faces a user.

14. A camera mount comprising:

a hosting device including a flat surface for mounting a camera including a user interface;

20 a hollow post on said flat surface wherein said post is sized to fit within a mounting hole of the camera;

a trigger device for raising and lowering a first connector located within the hollow post wherein said first connector mates with a complementary connector located within the mounting hole of the camera; and

25 wherein the user interface of the camera also functions as the user interface of the hosting device.

15. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the first connector is coupled to a power source.

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16. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the first connector is coupled to a memory device.

17. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the first connector includes pins for data connections to a memory of the camera.

18. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the first connector includes pins for
5 power connections to a power supply of the camera.

19. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the first connector is located within said hollow post.

10 20. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the trigger device is coupled to a mechanical linkage for raising and lowering the first connector.

21. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the post press-fits snugly into the mounting hole of the camera.

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22. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the post is threaded.

23. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the post is made of rubber.

20 24. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the first connector includes a flag-shaped contact for connecting to a memory of the camera.

25. The camera mount of Claim 14, wherein the first connector includes a flag-shaped contact for connecting to a power supply of the camera.

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26. A method of displaying digital images comprising:
coupling a digital camera to a camera mount wherein the camera mount is
electrically connected to said digital camera; and
displaying digital images on an LCD of said digital camera.